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SUBJECT: CONCESSIONAL SALES OF NONFAT DRY MILK

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1. REGIONAL AGIRCULTURAL ATTACHE RECEIVED FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM DEPT OF STATE ON MAR 7: QUOTD. 1. AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR NEGOTIATED RESTRICTED USE SALES OF CCC NONFAT DRY MILK TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS OR THEIR AGENTS, INTERNATIONAL AND RELIEF ORGANIZATIONS AT PRICES BELOW PREVAILING WORLD MARKET PRICE TO BE COMPETITIVE WITH OTHER SUPPLIERS. 2. MAKE APPROPRIATE CONTACTS ASAP AND REPORT: A. QUANTITIES, SOURCE, PRICE, PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS AND PACKAGING NFDM CURRENTLY BEING PURCHASED FOR PURPOSES STATED PARA 1. B. ESTIMATED QUANTITIES CC NFDM THAT WOULD BE PURCHASED IF COMPETITIVE PRICE MET AND ADDITIONAL QUANTITIES AT VARIOUS PRICE LEVELS BELOW COMPETITIVE PRICE. 3. EMPHASIZE TO PARTIES CONTACTED THAT PRICE REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION RESPONSIBILITY OF OGSM. 4. CONTACTS TO BE ADVISED ASSURANCES WILL BE REQUIRED NFDM DOES NOT, REPEAT NOT, UNCLASSIFIED

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ENTER COMMERCIAL CHANNELS. ATTACHE WILL HAVE RESPONSIBILITY OF ASSESSING ADEQUATE PRECAUTIONS ARE TAKEN BY THOSE PURCHASING TO ASSURE NON-DIVERSIONS. 5. MOVEMENT OF CCC NFDM INVENTORY INTO HUMAN CONSUMPTION CHANNELS TO BE TOP PRIORITY FOR ATTACHE. END QUOTE.

2. AGATT UNABLE TO TRAVEL TO DAKAR, FREETOWN OR MONROVIA

UNTIL EARLY APRIL. WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH IF THOSE POSTS COULD DO SOME SPADE WORK SO AGATT CAN REPLY TO REQUEST DURING APRIL VISIT.

3. IF WASHINGTON WANTS INTERIM REPLY BEFORE THAT TIME SUGGEST IT NOTIFY POSTS.

4. FOR CONAKRY. AS YOU AWARE AGATT NOT PLANNING RETURN TRIP TO GUINEA UNTIL OCTOBER. SUSPECT GOG MAY WELL BE INTERESTED IN NON-FAT DRY MILK GIVEN ITS FOOD SITUATION. PERHAPS VISITING FOOD FOR PEACE OFFICER COULD ASSIST IN REPLYING TO REQUEST. STEARNS

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